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Gibson - pl

Oct
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Brunswick
Pres. Office
also at Mrs. S. home

Q. Did Mason, at any time, accompanied by Jane Gibson, go over the ground she went over on the night in question?

A. No.

Q. Did she retrace her steps, where did they lead and what did she do and say in retracing her steps?

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Q. Where did she say she was with reference to the distance from the crab-apple tree when she heard the shots, also where was her mule at that time?

De Russey Lane
A. Said she was on her mule going up the lane. She placed herself about opposite the tree about 150 feet from the tree.

Q. Did she say that she saw an automobile at the entrance to De Russey's Lane, in the light of whose headlights, she saw a woman and a man who looked like a negro?

A. Yes, as car turned from Easton Avenue up the Lane.

Q. Did she say anything about "Oh, Henry" and "Explain these letters?"

A. Heard "mumbling talking". Heard woman's voice say "How do you account for these?" and man's voice in reply say "What are you going to do about it?" Then came the shots. Then woman's voice said "Oh, Henry".

Q. Did she, at any time, mention Robert Erling?

A. No.

Q. What if anything did she say about losing her mocassin and where did she lose it?

A. Did not know where she lost her mocassin. Thinks she lost it after shotting and after she "aterted up" her mule.

Q. Was the lost mocassin ever found in 1922?

A. No. M says she told him she did not go back in daylight next day to look for it.

Q. What, if anything, did she say about the time of night it was when she started to follow the wagon and also what time of night was it when the shots were fired?

A. She fixed time of shots about 10:20. She fixed time of hearing wagon about 9:10 and fixed it by the passing of public bus which regularly goes by her house.

Q. What did she give as her reason for having gone back the second time?

A. To look for lost mocassin.

Q. What is Mason's explanation of the mule print and dung which he saw a month later?

A. M. says he is not an expert on dung. Prints may have been made one week, one month or three months before.

Q. How did she describe the woman bending over the bodies and crying?

A. Woman down on her knees sobbing and crying. This was about 11:50 as M. figures.

Q. When she saw the woman bending over the bodies and crying, where was the mule?

A. Tied to sapling near stump 75 to 100 feet from De Russey's Lane. She says she saw white woman in moonlight. She stood near stump over which she tripped.

Q. Under what circumstances, did she first come to the attention of the Prosecutor's office?

A. She ~~saw~~ ^{knew} Totten and Monday following discovery of bodies she sent for Totten and told him her story.

Q. Was the story about reporting the corn thefts suggested to her by anyone?

A. -----

Q. Did she ever claim to identify - a. Willie Stevens, b. Henry Stevens, c. Henry Carpenter, d. Mrs. Hall, and if so, when, where and to whom?

A. She could not identify Willie Stevens as the man she saw in the lane. Identified Henry Carpenter at Pennsylvania Railroad station in New Brunswick under supervision of Mason and David. As to Mrs. Hall she could not remember her until she learned that Dr. Hall was killed and then recalled having seen Mrs. Hall at a Church rummage sale some three months before. She never identified Henry Stevens and never saw him. The investigators were satisfied with the alibi of Henry Stevens and never created an opportunity for Mrs. G. to identify him

Q. Did she ever say she owned a pistol and if so, what kind?

A. M. does not recall.

Q. Did she say what she was going to go to the person in the rickety wagon, if she overtook the wagon?

A. Going to follow wagon into town and have occupants arrested.

Q. Did she admit to Mason that she had approached Sippel?

A. M. does not recall.

Q. What was her reason for not reporting to the authorities immediately?

A. She gave no reason but did report to Totten on Monday following the shooting.

Q. Did she admit she had revisited the scene of the crime before she went to see the authorities.

A. No. Only her visit about midnight of day of shooting.

Q. Did Mason examine William Easton, Sr., William Easton, Jr. and William Whittaker, as to what she had told them?

A. M. has no recollection.

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